Appleby Archaeology

Notes of the Committee Meeting of the Appleby Archaeology Group held on Tuesday 3rd June 2008 at White House Brampton.

Present

Richard Stevens Chairman

Martin Joyce Newsletter Editor

Phyllis Rouston Secretary

Martin Railton Field Work/Research

Apologies

Heather Edwards Mike Godfrey

Harry Hawkins has resigned from the committee.

Notes of the last meeting

2/02/08 Treasurer's Report should read The balance stands at £1718.02.

With that change the notes were agreed a correct record.

1/06/08 Matters arising from the Notes

<u>8/9/07 Transactions</u>:- Martin R said that he could store them at North Pennines Archaeology and that they could be borrowed on request. Phyllis to follow this up when appropriate.

<u>4/02/08 Website</u> Martin R advised that due to workload Tony Liddel was unlikely to be able to help us. It was agreed that the previous options suggested by Martin J should be reconsidered and he will update us on these. Richard had not contacted Sally Orwell

5/02/08 Summer Programme Evening walk to Ninekirks was enjoyed by seven people.

Visit to Vindolanda is fully booked. Alternative travel arrangements were made for those who had booked the mini bus.

7/02/08 Communications CBA: we are now an affiliated member.

Archaeological Field Schools at Historic Dilston and other information was sent to members by email.

Conference date: an dvance was sent to CFLH.

2/06/08 Treasurer's Report

The balance on 14th May was £3139.21 this includes the CWAAS grant of £1500 $\,$

Membership: renewal reminders were sent out. Current membership is 58.

Richard advised that Awards for All was not seeking any refund and had closed the account.

3/06/08 Brackenber Research Excavations

Martin R advised that the necessary criteria had been met and that phase I of the training research excavation and geophysics would take place during National Archaeology Week, finishing with an Open Day on Saturday 19th July. The training week is fully booked. Anyone else who applies will be advised of the Open Day and the possibility of a further training week later in the summer.

CBA had provided posters for the Open Day. These should replace any that are advertising the training week as it is oversubscribed.

The Cumberland and Westmoreland Antiquarian and Archaeology Society has given an initial grant of £1500 and we are awaiting their decision re further funding for the excavation costs. Richard will contact CWAAS. Separate funding for post excavation work is being sought from Neighbourhood Forum. This application should be considered at their September meeting. Richard will pursue this application.

CBA will provide insurance cover for National Archaeology Week. Martin will be sending information, including

health and safety advice, to all the participants prior to the training week. Facilities ie access to a caravan or tent and portaloo will be provided on site.

4/06/08 Winter Programme 2008-2009

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Tuesday 9th September Thomas Whitbread, North Pennines Archaeology, *Crannogs and Underwater Archaeology*.

Tuesday 14th October Mark Brennand, Senior Historic Environment Officer Cumbria County Counci, *Research Framework for Archaeology in the North West.*

Tuesday 11th November Dot Bruns, Finds Liaison Officer (Lancashire and Cumbria), *Recent Viking Finds*. Tuesday 9th December Professor Charlotte A Roberts, Durham University, *Forensic Archaeology*. **2009**

Tuesday 13th January AGM and Members evening Martin Railon Brakenber Report Tuesday 10th February

Tuesday 10th March Jamie Lund, National Trust, *Landscape Survey Buttermere and Loweswater* Tuesday 14th April

Phyl will contact Anne Walton who may talk on Herculaneum and Pompey for Members' Evening and seek speakers for February and April meetings. Suggested subjects were Lost ways Project Cumbria, Milestones, and an update on "Living among the Monuments" Annie Hamilton-Gibney.

<u>5/06/08 Conference 2009</u> Harry and Richard met with Angus Winchester at the end of March when a number of topics and speakers were suggested and an outline programme proposed (sent to Committee by email). This was discussed and a few suggestions put forward which Richard will take forward.

6/06/08 Purchase of a lap top

Martin J had circulated a paper outlining the need for, and the cost of, the purchase of a lap top. Following discussion it was agreed that this was essential equipment and that up to £350 could be allocated for purchase. Martin to follow up. It was also agreed that all the equipment should be in one place and that we should consider insurance cover possibly through CBA

7/0608 Communications

Phyllis had received a letter from Maureen Newrick asking if Appleby Archaeology could help in a local project at Maulds Meaburn. Copies had been sent to Martin R and Richard. Following discussion it was agreed that the group was fully committed to the research at Brakenber and that we would not be able to help but suggesting that they might contact NPA and that Martin R would be happy to talk to her on an informal basis Phyllis to reply to Maureen

8?06/08 Newsletter

Martin J outlined the content of the Newsletter due to be circulated shortly. Some minor amendments were made

There being no further business the meeting closed at 22.15.

Date and time of next meeting NB change of day to Tuesday Tuesday September 2nd at` 7.30pm at Pear Tree cottage Skirwith.

PHR 6/06/08